

**OPINION 2000 (Case 3132)*****Eudorylas* Aczél, 1940 and *Microcephalops* De Meyer, 1989 (Insecta, Diptera): conserved by the designation of *Pipunculus fuscipes* Zetterstedt, 1844 as the type species of *Eudorylas***

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**Ruling**

- (1) Under the plenary power all previous fixations of type species for the nominal genus *Eudorylas* Aczél, 1940 are hereby set aside and *Pipunculus fuscipes* Zetterstedt, 1844 is designated as the type species.
- (2) The following names are hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology:
  - (a) *Eudorylas* Aczél, 1940 (gender: masculine), type species by designation in (1) above *Pipunculus fuscipes* Zetterstedt, 1844;
  - (b) *Microcephalops* De Meyer, 1989 (gender: feminine), type species by original designation *Pipunculus banksi* Aczél, 1940.
- (3) The following names are hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology:
  - (a) *fuscipes* Zetterstedt, 1844, as published in the binomen *Pipunculus fuscipes* and as defined by the lectotype (specimen no. 296, type number ZML 2442:1 in the Zetterstedt collection in Lund) designated by Collin (1956) (specific name of the type species of *Eudorylas* Aczél, 1940);
  - (b) *banksi* Aczél, 1940, as published in the binomen *Pipunculus banksi* (specific name of the type species of *Microcephalops* De Meyer, 1989).
- (4) The name *Neodorylas* Kuznetsov, 1995 is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Generic Names in Zoology (a junior objective synonym of *Eudorylas* Aczél, 1940).

**History of Case 3132**

An application for the conservation of the name *Eudorylas* Aczél, 1940 was received from Dr Marc De Meyer (*Koninklijk Museum voor Midden Afrika, Tervuren, Belgium*) and Dr Jeff Skevington (*University of Queensland, St. Lucia, Queensland, Australia*) on 4 August 1999. After correspondence the case was published in **BZN 58**: 19–23 (March 2001). Notice of the case was sent to appropriate journals.

It was noted on the voting paper that *Cephalops opacus* Fallén, 1816 was the type species of *Eudorylas* Aczél, 1940, but the original designation was apparently based on an error. *Cephalops opacus* and *Pipunculus vestitus* Becker, 1900, a species placed in the pipunculid genus *Microcephalops* De Meyer, 1989, were synonyms (paras. 7, 8 and 10 of the application) and, as a consequence, the name *Microcephalops* was formally a junior subjective synonym of *Eudorylas*. The application recorded (Abstract, paras. 7 and 12) that the proposed designation of *Pipunculus*

*fuscipes* Zetterstedt, 1844 as the type species of *Eudorylas*, in accord with the usage of *Eudorylas*, would also conserve the current usage of the name *Microcephalops*. It was proposed that the names of *Microcephalops* and of its type species, *P. banksi* Aczél, 1940, be placed on Official Lists in addition to the proposals in para. 13 on BZN 58: 21–22.

#### Decision of the Commission

On 1 December 2001 the members of the Commission were invited to vote on the proposals published in BZN 58: 21–22. At the close of the voting period on 1 March 2002 the votes were as follows:

Affirmative votes – 24: Alonso-Zarazaga, Bock, Böhme, Bouchet, Brothers, Calder, Cogger, Eschmeyer, Evenhuis, Fortey, Halliday, Kerzhner, Lamas, Macpherson, Mahnert, Martins de Souza, Mawatari, Minelli, Nielsen, Papp, Patterson, Song, Štys, van Tol

Negative votes – none.

No votes were received from Dupuis, Kraus, Ng and Rosenberg.

#### Original references

The following are the original references to the names placed on Official Lists and an Official Index by the ruling given in the present Opinion:

*banksi*, *Pipunculus*, Aczél, 1940, *Zoologischer Anzeiger*, **132**: 152.

*Eudorylas* Aczél, 1940, *Zoologischer Anzeiger*, **132**: 151.

*fuscipes*, *Pipunculus*, Zetterstedt, 1844, *Diptera Scandinaviae disposita et descripta*, vol. 3, p. 953.

*Microcephalops* De Meyer, 1989, *Bulletin de l'Institut Royal des Sciences Naturelles de Belgique (Entomologie)*, **59**: 120.

*Neodorylas* Kuznetzov, 1995, *International Journal of Dipterological Research*, **6**(4): 326.

The following is the reference for the designation of the lectotype of *Pipunculus fuscipes* Zetterstedt, 1844:

Collin, J.E. 1956. *Opuscula Entomologica*, **21**(2–3): 151.